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SUBJECT: LORENZ CASE #23 (72)-8: FIRST IBMCOMPUTER DELIVERED 1970?

REF: STUTTGART A-127 OF 08/19/71; 0293 OF 06/22/72; 0068 OF 1/22/75

1. LOCAL SOURCE INFORMED CONGEN JANUARY 28 THAT A FORMER DATA PROCESSING EMPLOYEE OF THE MAILAENDER COMPANY (J.G. MAILAENDER DRUCKMASCHINENFABRIK, D-7120 BIETIGHEIM, BADEN-WUERTTEMBERG-SEE STUTTGART 0293 OF 06/22/72), WHO LATER WORKED FOR THE LORENZ COMPANY, HAS TOLD LOCAL AUTHORITIES THAT AN IBM 360-40 WAS SHIPPED TO THE SOVIET UNION IN 1970. HE SAID THAT THIS COMPUTER HAD BEEN INSTALLED AT THE MAILAENDER PLANT, WAS REMOVED BY AN AUSTRIAN FORWARDING AGENT, AND THEN EVENTUALLY TAKEN TO RUSSIA. HE ADDED THAT WHILE EMPLOYED WITH LORENZ, HE HAD BEEN SENT TO MOSCOW ONCE AND HAD BEEN ASKED TO TAKE ALONG SOFTWARE PROGRAMMING MATERIAL.

2. OUR SOURCE SAID THAT THIS INFORMATION HAD BEEN VOLUNTEERED BY THE FORMER LORENZ EMPLOYEE AFTER LATTER READ OF RECENT ARREST OF NINE PERSONS SUSPECTED OF INDUSTRIAL ESPIONAGE (STUTTGART 0068).SOURCE ADDED THAT THERE IS STILL NO EVIDENCE DEVELOPED THAT WOULD LINK LORENZ DIRECTLY TO PRESENT CASE, BUT EXPRESSED HOPE THAT CONTINUED DETENTION OF PERSONS ARRESTED WOULD UNCOVER ADDITIONAL CONFIDENTIAL

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DETAILS THAT MIGHT LINK LORENZ TO THIS CASE.

COMMENT: PREVIOUSLY REPORTED DELIVERY OF IBM COMPUTER TO USSR (STUTTGART A-127 OF 08/19/71 -LORENZ CASE) OCCURRED IN 1971.

LOCAL AUTHORITIES ARE ATTEMPTING TO CONFIRM 1970 DELIVERY.

IF CONFIRMED, USSR COMPUTER TECHNICIANS HAVE HAD ACCESS TO IBM TECHNOLOGY FOR LONGER PERIOD THAN WE PREVIOUSLY AWARE.

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